By Constantine Brown

The Federal budget for the current fiscal year will reach the formidable sum of \$69 billion.

The Defense Department estimates that, even if a war does not break out in Europe in the next nine months and the present combination "cold-hot war" which Russia has devised continues, the necessity of maintaining an alert defense will require some \$90 billion in

Thus the war of attrition which Russia has threatened against us since 1946 appears to be in full?

The Atlantic pact was only a

Meanwhile, Moscow started

pushing buttons and the cold war

The original estimates of the

rope indicated—somewhat vaguely

-that they would raise the neces-

sary manpower to provide some 25

lion now is considered insufficient.

as much to be expected as three All the Russian leaders, from meals a day are in this country. Stalin down, at one time or an- But political conditions and Rusother have stated that only the sia's threat to the democratic way collapse of the American economic of life made this otherwise unpalstructure will enable the U. S. S. R. latable move necessary. to achieve its plans for world Moscow Pushes Buttons

The Politburo believes now that this economic collapse cannot be very far off. It is this belief alone piece of paper, however, without which prevents Russia from unleashing now a shooting war in unless our European allies were which her military power would provided with arms and military be engaged. The Russian pattern equipment. The military aid of weakening the United States by program then was devised and attrition is obvious. It applies poattrition is obvious. It applies po-litical pressure in Western Europe —in what is commonly known as the cold war—which forces us to the cold war—which forces us to power out tens of billions of dollars pour out tens of billions of dollars in cash and raw and manufactured materials to Western Euro- quired at first were modest—only pean nations. At the same time \$1.2 billion for the first year and it uses military aggression by one somewhat more the second. of its satellites in a shooting war in the Far East.

The North Korean aggression became more active in Europe. is about to end in disaster for the Previously concealed friction with aggressors. Tens of thousands of Moscow became an open strain in Russia's puppets have been killed relations. Reports poured into and the country devastated. The Washington that the Russians U. S. S. R. has lost nothing. But were cooking up something for we have suffered heavily in Ameri- Western Europe. We knew that can casualties and billions of dol- they had the capability of doing lars already have been spent, or anything they wanted. are about to be spent, on the re-Allied general staffs that Russia construction of that country. The second "push-button war" could not be ready for action un-

now is on the way in Indo-China. til sometime in 1955 had to be The French are not capable of revised. The consensus of milidefending themselves and are call- tary men in Europe was that she ing steadily for greater American might be ready to strike, either help. So far we are engaged only directly or through her East Gerin providing them with military man puppets, sometime in 1951 or equipment amounting to some 1952. \$200 million—a mere trifle com- This required the stepping up of pared to the billions which must Western defenses. And while the one of the cleanest areas on be spent this year and next on our governments of continental Eu- earth, due to a determined sys-Western European Allies.

Billions Go Abroad

There is no saying, however, divisions in the next 18 months, what will happen if the French we were called on to send the government presents the Indo-necessary equipment immediately Chinese case to the United Na- across the Atlantic. tions and shows that the campaign As a consequence, MAP approis inspired and abetted by the priations for this fiscal year total-Communists, behind ing \$1.2 billion had to be raised by whom stands Moscow.

Although the Government in V-J day to the present the Amer-Washington is opposed, at this ican taxpayer has provided the time, to sending American troops outside world with some \$30 bilto Indo-China, its present stand lion. could be reversed by a decision of the U. N. to give us another manablish law and order Concealed items, such as the \$182 million spent on the Italian in Indo-China.

The Russian plan of attrition election two years ago, are not inagainst America is well on its cluded in this figure. There may way. Since the end of World War oe other such expenditures from II we have spent unbelievable secret funds which are still kept amounts of wealth to bring the secret. world back to "normalcy." Imme- It was only when Moscow began diately after the war we spent its shooting war in Korea that its some \$4 billion in all kinds of re- plans for American economic atcovery projects, including UNRRA. trition really came to light. Then we proceeded to a largescale plan by adopting Gen. Marthe administration from its deep shall's recovery program.

Although the Government was to be drastically revised. Necesengaged, between 1942 and 1947, sary funds were appropriated for in political appeasement of Russia, the immediate emergency in the State Department had de- Korea, which called for the mobilcided, even before V-E day, to ization of several National Guard use economic assistance to pre- divisions immediately. The milivent Communist ideology from tary effectives of the Army, Navy making inroads in Europe and and Air Force were raised to near-Asia. We proceeded on the theory ly 2 million men. that communism thrives on hunger, which in turn causes unrest and revolutions.

Soon after the return of the 81st American legislators were persuaded to appropriate billions of Congress on November 27 the addollars to alleviate, through an international organization known supplemental budget of \$35 billion, international organization known devoted exclusively to military exnomic difficulties of the world outside of the American hemisphere.

Objectors Denounced

It is true that, on paper, the posed to participate in this good butter, are the answer to Russia's Samaritan work. Actually, the threat. United States provided more than 90 per cent of the billions spent on relief for the hungry world.

next 20 months by the Marshall of the lavishness which our Gov-Plan, which was to prevent the penetration of the Communist virus into Western Europe. In three years the American tax-payers provided some \$15 billion and the Politburo points and the Kremlin and the Politburo points are plant to find the find a month.

It did not take the administration take the administration of take the administration new hand was at the helm. Nor the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the did not take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take the administration of the Navy sends promising connected to get him to leave the normal take t three years the American taxthe Kremlin and the Politburo His method was to walk into an There he was found frequently—
His method was to walk into an There he was found frequently—
the short sleaves—in the short payers provided some \$15 billion for that purpose, in addition to a "loan"—which will never be repaid—of \$3.750,000,000 to the the armed forces the Kremlin and the Politburo disappear, many more billions office, introduce himself and explain that he wanted to know working with students on models with whom he was working.

There he was found frequently—plain that he wanted to know working with students on models of ships whose design they were concerned with. What impelled paid—of \$3,750,000,000 to the the armed forces. British Labor government to enable it to put into effect its in-

dance of the billions did not ap-

jections were drowned out, without trouble. The powerful Gov- Tension Pays Off ernment propaganda machine,

administration officials, newspaoverlooking old hatreds, prejudices permen and radio commentators and fears. produced "tangible proofs" that France and Italy, the pivots of Western resistance to Russia's drive, would become Communist satellites unless American billions

But no sooner had Western Europe begun to recover its pre- on our own and our Allies' armawar prosperity than we realized ment in the next four years. was threatening the West phys- Kremlin, however. Its plan for Philip B. Fleming to move from lock about Admiral Cochrane: ically. The Marshall Plan had a war of attrition against America the Federal Works Agency to the tic pact, a military alliance tension which the Politburo has Then, this year, came the presi- position." between a select number of Euro- created in the last four years to dential reorganization plan which Admiral Wheelock, now deputy old Bureau of Construction and he added gravely.

with a continent where wars were become astronomical.

Russia's War of Attrition Europe's Tiny Countries Have Troubles—But No Wars

FRANCE

ANDORRA MONACO

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MARINO!

ITALY

Here's How They Fare While Rest of World Worries Over A-Bomb

Newspapers today are filled with the trials and tribulations of the great nations of the

world. But what of the little fellows, the real little ones, that is? How are they faring in these

days of hot and cold wars? There are four tiny countries in Europe-Andorra, San Marino, Leichtenstein and Monaco. The Associated Press asked its European correspondents to find

cut what is going on in them. The four have a total land area of only 348 square miles, less than New York City's 365 square miles and far less than the 452 square miles of Los Angeles.

Their total population is 54,-000, barely more than the number of persons who live in New York City's largest housing de-

Following are front-line re-

MONTE CARLO (AP) .- This tiny, sun-drenched flower-bedecked principality on shores of the blue Mediterranean is on its uppers.

The war in Korea has kept away the rich Americans, and postwar hard times in Europe have thinned the stream of wealthy European gamblers to mere trickle.

The days of dramatic suicides by beautiful, red-haired Hungarian girls and devil-maycare Englishmen attempting to "break the bank at Monte Carlo" are gone.

A simple statistic: Back in the careless '30s, the Monaco government took in about 120,000,000 francs a year from the gaming table, its major source of revenue. These days the figure is down to 20,000,000 francs.

But Monaco still is an ideal place for getting away from it all—if you can afford it—for these reasons: . Wonderful warm climate.

2. The principality calls itself tem of washing the streets three or four times a day. 3. No industry to speak of. There's a beer plant, and five

dockers work in the port. 4. No Communist Party. 5. No overcrowding for the

total population of 25,000. 6. A constant series of exclusive showings of films, periodic another \$4 billion. Thus, from \$1,500 fireworks displays, glittering balls, symphony concerts, showings by the famed Monte Carlo ballet.

7. No labor strife. Except for a 10-day strike of Casino employes last April, there never more than 24 hours.

Monaco officials deplore the absence of the 200 English who used to come for a three or four months' stay before the war. and religiously dress for dinner each night. They also deplore the many

Americans who have stayed

away, despite the effort to attract them by introducing the The Korean aggression aroused game of craps in the Casino. Commissioner general of tourslumber. The defense budget had ism, Gabriel Ollivier, has gone all-out to make the wealthy feel at home. All visitors of note find their hotel rooms crowded

with free flowers, and have a secretary at their disposal. The swank Hotel De Paris has rooms from 1,600 to 3,500 francs (\$4.50 to \$10) and 140,-000 bottles of wine, champagne The current budget of \$34 bil-

and brandy in its cellars. A

client who comes back 10 years later will find his favorite dishes served him without even having to ask, due to a special system of card indexing kept by the

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SMUGGLING

Monaco, ruled by young Prince Ranier, isn't really very independent from France, and her position in international affairs is the same. Actually, only 3,900 of the 25,000 inhabitants are Monaco citizens. Of these 1,000 are men, and all would do their duty for the West.

SAN MARINO (AP). - The 1,650-year-old mountain republic of San Marino is feuding with Italy, by which it is completely surrounded.

This tiny state, situated on a mountain slope 10 miles from the Adriatic Sea, has a Communist government which does not get along too well with Italy's Christian Democrat authorities. Its officials complain that Italy not only is five years in arrears in payment of the amounts due under a customs agreement, but also is sabotaging its tourist traffic.

The San Marinesi are also somewhat displeased with the British who bombed them during the last war on suspicion that German troops were lurking in their citadel-like moun-

The republic boasts it has no public debt but its leaders admit times have been hard these last years. To bolster the public treasury, the government recently opened a fancy gambling casino.

San Marino's citizens are proud of their socialized health program which entitles all to free medical service, including hospitalization and, if necessary, accommodation in the republic's insane asylum. Funds come from the nationalized movie theaters, which also provide enough extra revenue to support an old-age pension plan.

Most of the 12,000 inhabitants are agricultural workers and the state's principal export aside from stamps, which are popular with collectors—is its famed Moscato wine. About 1,500 are employed in industry, which includes tanneries, potteries and soap, cement and

macaroni factories. Bread for the entire population is produced by a single state-owned bakery. Another of San Marino's products is divorces, which are unobtainable in Italy.

A council of 60 governs the republic, with the executive authority being exercised by two "captains regent" chosen from among the councilors and changed every six months.

VADUZ, Liechtenstein (AP) .-Liechtenstein is a tiny, 60square-mile state sandwiched between Switzerland and Austria in the upper Rhine Valley. The present ruler, Prince Franz-Josef II, married beautiful Vienna-born Countess Georgine Wilzcek in 1943. The couple has three children, all boys, the eldest of whom is 5year-old Prince Johann Adam Pius, heir to the principality.

Franz-Joseph II became ruling Prince of Liechtenstein in 1938. His role in the government is limited by a democratic constitution dating from 1921. The 15-member Parliament is elected every four years and nominates five of its members as the country's "government."

Deputy Premier Ferdinand Nigg says proudly: "There is not a single Communist in Liechtenstein." In fact, only two political parties exist in the country, and both are conservative. Political differences are limited to strictly domestic matters.

Liechtenstein has been in a customs and monetary union with Switzerland since 1924 and is now virtually incorporated in the Swiss economy. Outstanding among the local industries is the production of artificial teeth, of which millions of pairs are exported annually. Most of the country's power is produced domestically in hydroelectric stations in the Alps along the Austrian frontier. Taxation is low and many foreign corporations maintain European head offices in the principality. "Registration fees" paid by these corporations and the sale of frequently issued new series of postage stamps form the country's principal revenue.

Liechtenstein has no army. Its last soldier died in 1939 at the age of 95 and Nigg explains: lute neutrality."

world's strife.

principality have no Communist problem and pay no taxes. Although the nations of their co-princes, the President of France and the Spanish bishop of nearby Seo de Urgel, have fought wars, the Andorrans go on with their main trade and largest source of revenue: Smuggling goods back and forth between France and Spain.

This tiny country of 191 try could agree on its future.

The inhabitants insist they have the only true democracy in the world. Local politics are handled by a 24-man council which is elected every four years by male heads of family. Any inhabitant has redress for grievances to the council and may convoke it into session at any time by paying about \$25 to cover the expenses of the meet-

"Syndic," who is elected by the council from among its mem-

French-owned concern which, French and Spanish, has only Through a Spanish-owned company, Andorra supplies electricity to Barcelona

the few French and Spanish newspapers reaching them. has always been at peace.

always has.

Switzerland, is based on abso-

Smuggling is bound to flourish in Andorra which nestles among mountain peaks more than 10,000 feet high.

square miles was left over by Cardinal Richelieu's treaty of the Pyrenees in the early 17th century because neither coun-

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ANDORRA (A).-Five thousand feet high in the Pyrenees Mountains live 5,000 people, untouched and untroubled by the

affect on Andorra's cattle-raising peasant economy The gay Catalan inhabitants read of the world's turmoil in

Life goes on pretty much as it

"Our foreign policy, like that of

The inhabitants of this tiny

Main legitimate source of income is Radio Andorra, a by agreement between the music programs and advertising.

World War II had little or no

Their 800-year-old country

with Soviet flags. There is no now. iron curtain of any kind against either the East or West. Yet there is not a solid unshak-

Admiral Cochrane said:

is government-controlled but it

Other people have thought that

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Finns Irked by Government

But Change Might Irk Reds

Have Been Able So Far to Refuse Soviet

By Richard Lowenthal

visit has confirmed the picture of a country that has amazingly re-

gained complete internal freedom. Despite complete military de-

pendence on Russia, Finland is now the only country in Eastern Eu-

rope where the process of "people's democratic" penetration has not

only been stopped but reversed. This was achieved, thanks to a com-

high degree of national unity freedom. That is due to two fac-

against the Communist danger. tors. First, the Finnish labor

But today this unity is largely movement is split right down the

gone and the country is in a state middle; second, an important

The chief responsibiltiy for this leaders now favor certain conces-

change lies with the head of the sions to Russia in internal affairs,

present government, Urho Kek- and that group includes the

bination of fighting faith and the

Agrarian Party, who thinks he

will by concessions in internal

before, to their cost.

paid each time.

No Iron Curtain

any moment at will.

HELSINKI.—Finland today is in danger from within. One week's

Any Power Over Their Internal Affairs

konen-a clever lawyer from the present Prime Minister. can afford to secure Russian good Labor Movement Gains Finnish communism is a gen-Finnish affairs and still determine uine native force, not a sect of the limit of such concessions. Russian puppets as are the Communists elsewhere in Scandinavia. It does not dominate organized Finnish military dependence on labor as the Communists do in Russia is, of course, complete. France and Italy, but it has been

group of "bourgeois" political

Under the peace treaty, the Rus- a formidable rival of the Socialists sians are (like the British) en- in the struggle for trade union titled to know everything that control throughout the last 30 is done in the Finnish Army and years. The roots of this struggle to control its size and armaments. go back to the 1918 civil war when They have a base within gunrange of the capital; trains from Helsinki to Turku, the only Finnish harbor that stays ice-free all through the year, have to port, and to the repression that pass through that base and can port, and to the repression that do so only by Russian leave, with followed.

steel shutters blocking out the train windows, and a toll of \$50 cratic legality. The Communists. though always on the verge of suppression, retained control of the unions until 1930, and until Reparations to Russia, not 1939 the employers refused to necrushing but considerable, em- gotiate collective agreement. Not ploy the best part of the metal until then, in the resistance to industry and the Soviet Repara- Russia's unprovoked attack on tion Mission has inspection rights Finland, was national unity in the factories concerned. All largely restored; not until then this means that Finland could were Finland's home guards open never dream of joining any mili- for the first time to Social Demotary group directed against Rus- crats.

sia, and the Russians are in a The effect of this history is that position to occupy the country at since the last war the labor movement has become far more power-But whether and when the Rus- ful than ever before. The result sians do so is more likely to is that Communist propaganda depend upon the international can ascribe this increased influsituation than on anything the ence to the Russian victory and Finns do at home. That is why can put forward absurd economic the Finns have been able so far claims without losing its followto refuse them any power over ing. To this day, the Communists their internal affairs. There is control the unions of the food and no Communist influence whatever textile workers inside the trade in the Finnish police. Its mobile union federation; the transport police units, specially created to and forest workers' unions have give the Communists concealed remained outside the federation power under the first postwar since their expulsion for particigovernment, were first disarmed pating in last year's Communistand then purged by the Socialist inspired general strike. The metal government in 1948, and the and wood workers, who were on political police has been abolished. strike, were won over by the So-Finland's foreign news comes cialists only recently. overwhelmingly from Western erful motive of the present strike sources. There is no censorship is the Socialist leaders' desire not of any kind; the only news agency to lose control again.

What it all amounts to is that does not suppress news. Its maxi- the Communists are in a position mum intervention is to advise edi- constantly to endanger Finland's tors to consider carefully whether economic stability. Last year the publication of items which might general strike attempt would have offend Russia is advisable in the paralyzed all Finnish harbors but Finnish interest. Most editors for the readiness of Socialist voluntarily tone down such items; workers to break the strike in the Socialist Democrats generally order to save their government publish them and nothing hap- (then headed by Karl Fagerholm, pens to them. Western news- a Social Democrat). The Kekpapers are on sale; in the shops konen government, which has there is a wealth of American allowed prices to rice and has picture magazines, American flags antagonized the Socialists to gayly flutter from hotel en- please Russia, has no such retrances, sometimes side by side serve of loyal support to call on

Here is the second cause of disunity. After Juho Paasikivi, the man who three times negotiable front for the defense of this ated peace between Finland and Russia, was re-elected President last March, he called on Kekkonen, leader of the Agrarian Party, to form a broad coalition government, including the Com-Engineering were consolidated in ships but most of those still in munists. The move seemed plausshipbuilding was coming to an "While they served a very use-ment. The Socialists, however, of a long-negotiated trade agreeend. The carriers Yorktown and ful purpose in World War II they took the line that on no account Enterprise were then building and are not suitable for carrying vital must the Communists be admitthe keel of the Wasp was laid cargoes in forward areas," Ad- ted back to government positions, Russian displeasure, they argued was working on the plans for the Then there are the 15-knot could not do more to Finland North Carolina and the Washing- Victory ships. Of these, 136 have than a voluntary decision to hand

After the Communists joined the government, the Socialists Of the projected new 20-knot would not. Faced with this reship to carry 12,000 tons of cargo fusal, Kekkonen decided, apparently with the backing of the "I am convinced that the con- President, to form a government hand in most of the vessels used struction of some such vessel is without either of the workingsound, not only from the military class groups. This finally led to ly all of the major vessels of point of view of mobility and improved security but that it is fully well, and leaving Kekkonen's that war, destroyers and larger, justified on the simple basis of Agrarians alone with the support

Since then the country has been 1942, took part in the Okinawa can reduce the volume of critical government have signed the so-He pointed out that faster ships drifting. Kekkonen and all his The LST became well known as the Bureau of Ships. Construction to reducing the chances for the Minister of War, Mr. Tittu. tion and repair work already had of ships and cargoes being sunk Periodical suggestions that it is become a crushing load and there and to greater flexibility in attack. time to include the Socialists in which has been developed since which has been developed since to our plans to organize an efficient stewardship in the world to the good workmanship in a ship meant the good workmanship in a ship "Russia would not like that."

war.

The studies were convincing booming and foreign payments balanced, the vicious spiral of inflation has been restarted. Admiral Cochrane might be said

to get them together.

Yet it is also clear that the Admiral and Mrs. Cochrane fundamental instability of the have two Navy sons, Lt. Comdr. present situation can only be "And the next may be less Richard L. Cochrane, executive ended by a government recon-

Merchant Marine Trims Ship Under 'Shirt Sleeves' Admiral

By Francis P. Douglas

The administration has come to taken the top job in the Federal operating subsidies paid ship oprealize that prosperity in Europe. Maritime Administration with the erators. Construction and operto which we have devoted more result that the Nation's merchant ating functions are now the rethan \$30 billion, does not raise an marine affairs, at one time seem- sponsibilities of the martime adadequate rampart against Russian ingly operating with a compass ministrator. other members of the coalition plans for world domination. It that had gone haywire, appear Gen. Fleming was made Under-

This was followed within the are beginning to feel the effects little more than a month.

Today, despite economic recov- Expert on Design

dustrial nationalization policies. ery in Western Europe, the bulk Nowadays, in the vernacular of described this way in a recent We were going through an era of the military equipment for the the Navy, the agency is described speech: of apparent prosperity, and the dance of the billions did not apparent States. In addition.

Admiral Cochrane is widely years. pear too important to the rank and file of American people since the continental members of the pact are not eager to mobilize among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of other is by no means a simple job nor one will be alread firely among warship builders of oth their own manpower, we are called countries—for his long service with one which will be closed finally the LST (landing ship, tanks) and A few far-sighted lawmakers to add at least 10 more American the Bureau of Ships. From 1935 with the success of the armed the LCI (landing craft, infantry). Cochrane was appointed chief of head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. This is in nated "Partisans of Peace," except head when needed. saw a real danger in these ex- divisions for the defense of West- through World War II he was forces in Korea. concerned with the design of prac- "I have long had the feeling that the workhorse of amphibious optically every ship the Navy built our generation cannot give too erations. during its period of greatest con- satisfactory an account of its

1939, denounced them as isolationists and thus endangered their
tionists and the transfer the tionists and thus endangered their political existence.

They were denounced as favoring the Communist conquest of Europe by default. High-ranking entire to play golf or the demand studied bat-in vain. France expects the ut-in vai ment are unwilling to help us by engineering.

> formerly the Maritime Commis- alities which unfortunately seem France does not seem to realize sion. After the war it was plagued so certain to develop." that our resources are not inex- by troubles that aroused exashaustible. We are saddled with an peration in Congress and produced Flexible Type expenditure of \$69 billion for this caustic reports by the General Acfiscal year. This is at a time when counting Office. Perhaps it was much more we shall have to spend members on the commission. The first step to meet the situ- their possible use in war kept in

administer the regulatory acts and mands came during World War II and Repair and the Bureau of The Nation has a lot of cargo Medal.

A "shirt sleeves admiral" has determine the construction and

has come to realize that guns, not now to be getting back on course. secretary of Commerce for Trans-Vice Admiral Edward L. Coch- portation and Admiral Cochrane rane, U. S. N., retired, has been was called from MIT to take the Meanwhile, however, the foun-chairman of the Maritime Board dual post of chairman of the dations of our economic structure and maritime administrator for a board and administrator. It took war in Korea to get him to leave

concerned with. What impelled him to take his present job he

The agency he now heads was ern nations against the eventu-

day merchant ships are built with of Veracruz.

between a select number of European nations which, from the military viewpoint, were even weaker
than during World War II.
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The Maritime Board, with duties to

Maritime Horistation plan which divided the functions of the board divided the functions of taking the portsmouth (N. H.) Nation the added gravely.

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Admiral Cochrane

One was large landing craft-

The other type was the destroy-

career has been devoted to ship going. construction. After graduating Now, in the fall of 1950, Ad-

was the result.

ally, rated as one of the compara- other crisis. "He is a young-minded man tively few real authorities on sub-

1940 into the Bureau of Ships. reserve are the plodding, 10-knot lible. The Russians showed strong In 1935 Admiral Cochrane was Liberty ships. There are more dislike of the Socialist minority ordered to Washington for conthan 1,500 of them in the reserve and were holding up the signature struction work. The long lull in fleet.

down the next year. The Navy miral Cochrane said. ton, the first battleships since the been withdrawn from lay-up and the keys of the country to the three Maryland-class vessels of passed in active service. Twenty- enemy within the gates. The greatest naval con- five more are being made ready Country Drifts struction of the world's history for service and only about 75 are was developing and Admiral Coch- left. rane was destined to be in the middle of it.

Sees Another Crisis

operations.

In the design division he had a during World War II. Practicalwere begun in peacetime. An ex- conservation of national material of some minor splinter groups. "As the Korean situation de- when need developed for two types ception was that a few of the resources." Admiral Cochrane is widely veloped the very strong conviction of vessels the Navy had not been destroyers started in February,

> the state of readiness of the West- anti-submarine vessels. The DE his coat with its gold stripes and plosion of the first atomic bomb. going into the shops in his shirt Almost all of Admiral Cochrane's sleeves to see how the jobs were that ships have to have more

from the Naval Academy in 1914, miral Cochrane again is involved to have been born into the Navy the Agrarians (representing farm-The transition from warship second in his class, he joined the construction to merchant ships is U. S. S. Rhode Island and served construction to merchant ships is made their peoples happy and the national debt totals \$260 bilinevitable the agency then had aboard her during the occupation in the Harm Clay Coches a letdown in the Harm Clay Clay Clay Clay C possibility of a letdown in the Henry Clay Cochrane of the Ma- neither the will nor the power Soon, however, he was assigned feeling of urgency after the Ko- rine Corps; his maternal grandation was taken when President mind. Also, there is this remark to the Philadelphia Navy Yard rean war is concluded. He said father was a naval officer. that a militarily powerful Russia All this is good news to the Truman prevailed on Maj. Gen. by Rear Admiral Charles D. Whee- and construction. He is, incident- he is convinced there will be an-

to be implemented by the Atlan- appears to be succeeding. The chairmanship of the commission, who can change and reorient his marine design. He served in the convenient as to location and officer of a destroyer, and Lt. Ed- struction, which seems unlikely submarine design division of the more embarrassing as to time," ward L. Cochrane, jr., now serving without new elections. Finland's

speed.